



House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 342

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Substitute House Bill No. 6908

House of Representatives, April 13, 2005

The Committee on Environment reported through REP. ROY of the 119th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING A CONNECTICUT CLEAN CAR INCENTIVE PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of
2 Environmental Protection, in consultation with the chairpersons and
3 ranking members of the joint standing committee of the General
4 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment,
5 the federal Environmental Protection Agency, the Governor's Steering
6 Committee on Climate Change, and representatives from the
7 automotive industry, shall develop a plan for the implementation of a
8 decrease of the sales tax by not more than three per cent for new motor
9 vehicles that have low emissions of greenhouse gases, as defined in
10 section 22a-200 of the general statutes, or an increase of the sales tax by
11 not more than three per cent for new motor vehicles that have high
12 emissions of such gases.

13 (b) Not later than January 1, 2006, the commissioner shall submit a

14 report on its findings and recommendations, including, but not limited
15 to, recommendations for legislative action, to the joint standing
16 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
17 relating to the environment, in accordance with the provisions of
18 section 11-4a of the general statutes.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
| Section 1 | <i>from passage</i> | New section |

ENV *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:**

| Agency Affected | Fund-Effect | FY 06 \$ | FY 07 \$ |
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| Department of Environmental Protection | GF - None | None | None |
| Various | GF - None | None | None |

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None**Explanation**

Assuming that there will be continued work by the North East States for Coordinated Air Use Management (NESCAUM) in this area, it is anticipated that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the consulting agencies and committees can develop a plan for a decrease in the sales tax for low emission new motor vehicles within their current budgetary resources. The DEP staff are currently working with NESCAUM concerning low emission vehicles.

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

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